SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Legislature will come to order. Register your presence please. We'll reset the board. Just a moment. Okay. Now register your presence.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Frank Lewis would like to be excused until he arrives. The Ag Committee would like to be excused until they arrive this afternoon. Business and Labor Committee would like to be excused until they return. Senator Labedz would like to be excused until she arrives, Mr. President. Senator Reutzel would like to be excused until he arrives, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Merz, are you here?

SENATOR MERZ: Could we have a Call of the House?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Kremer, are you here? You weren't here this morning when Senator Merz was looking for you, I just might add. Senator Merz was going all over looking for you. Record the presence.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Quorum present. The Legislature is in session. You have some things to read in?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bill, 639A. Read title to LB 639A. Read title to LB 135A.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Would the Sergeant at Arms get Senator Maresh in here? They are in executive session, but his is the first motion. Chair has recognized Senator Maresh. We are waiting for him. He's in an executive session. We're waiting for him. While we're waiting we'll go over and pick up item number 9 on returns. These are only returns to Select File. Senator Nichol, will you move the bills on 259? We'll take these up. We'll get the bills and we'll take those up. Senator Maresh is here now, but we're going to take these up anyway and get them out of the way. LB 295 and 717. Senator Maresh, we're going to take care of these two returns, then we'll be ready for you. LB 259. Senator Nichol. Motion. Are you on?

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, I move to return LB 259 to Select File.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: No, it's to accept the E & R amendments.

SENATOR NICHOL: Oh. I move to accept the E & R amendments to LB 259.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 259. Is there any discussion? All those in favor signify by saying aye. Opposed nay. The E & R amendments are adopted. Senator Cullan. You will carry on, please. LB 259. All right. Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move that LB 259, as amended, be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion to advance LB 259 to E & R for engrossment. Any discussion? All those in favor signify by saying aye. Opposed nay. LB 259 is advanced to E & R. LB 717. Senator Cullan.

